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Sriman SASIBHUSHAN RATH Mahasayo :—"I think it is the Member in charge of the portfolio that has to say which is the more important of the reasons."

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—"I have given the three important reasons."

Sriman SASIBHUSHAN RATH Mahasayo :—"Which of them is the most important is my question."

Pay and efficiency bar of school assistants in Government schools.

* 369 Q.—Rao Sahib U. RAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether the pay of the school assistants in Government schools is graded at Rs. 75—150 with an efficiency bar at Rs. 100;

(b) whether no such efficiency bar is placed in respect of Deputy Inspectors of Schools;

(c) whether it is a fact that a good number of the Deputy Inspectors of Schools are undergraduates;

(d) whether all the school assistants are either B.A., L.T.'s, or M.A., L.T.'s.;

(e) why there should be any efficiency bar for these highly qualified employees when none is required in the case of less qualified men; and

(f) in view of the anomaly existing between these two classes of subordinates, whether the Government intend removing the efficiency bar in the case of the school assistants?

A.—(a) & (e) No. School assistants are placed in the three different grades of—

Rs. 75— 5—100 for 48 per cent of the number of posts,
Rs. 100—10—150 for 40 „ „ and
Rs. 150—10—250 for 12 „ „

(b) The question does not arise.

(c) About a fifth of the total number of Deputy Inspectors are undergraduates; most of them have long service to their credit.

(d) Yes.

(f) The question of revising the pay of the Subordinate Educational Service is under consideration.

Teaching of Chemistry as an optional subject in the Adoni Municipal High School.

* 370 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether Chemistry is taught as an optional subject in the Municipal High School, Adoni, from 1922;

(b) whether the subject was introduced into the school with the previous permission of the District Educational Officer, Bellary;

(c) whether a new assistant had to be and was appointed to teach the new subject from 1922; and

(d) whether the Government met the net cost of the high school and, if so, whether they include the pay of this teacher in calculating the net cost to be borne by them?